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(b) Does not arise. There are no corruption cases against DDG (TB).

Assistance to NGOs for Family Welfare Programmes

3076. SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any sponsored schemes have been undertaken to provide assistance to voluntary organizations in the field of family welfare and primary health service during the current year; and

(b) the details regarding the extent of assistance provided to voluntary organizations during the first three years of the Ninth Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) and (b) Under the Reproductive and Child Health Programme, there is provision for providing assistance to voluntary organisations in the field of family welfare and primary health services Details are given in the Annexure indicating the assistance provided to voluntary organisations during the first three years of the Ninth Five Year Plan. [See Appendix 192, Annexure No. 21]

Registration of M.D. Physicians of CIS Countries

3077. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether MCI had taken various arbitrary decisions regarding grant of registration to M.D. Physicians passed/passing from countries of Commonwealth of Independent States;

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(b) whether various High Courts had passed judgements against such decisions; if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether CBI has raided the premises of President of MCI and found/seized heavy unaccounted money, etc.; and

(d) if so, whether Government propose to conduct such enquiry against the Secretary and other members, of MCI, to verify their income and assets and to find out their relations with private medical colleges, running in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) and (b) No, Sir. As per information received from the Medical Council of India some of the candidates who had gone to pursue MD (Physician) course in the institutions in erstwhile USSR were not granted registration by the Council as they did not fulfill the eligibility conditions laid down by the Council in the meeting held on 23.10.1997. Aggrieved by this decision, certain students approached various High Courts in the country. All such matters have been clubbed together and is at present pending adjudication before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India for final disposal. On the suggestions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, the Medical Council of India placed certain proposals before the Court with a view to mitigate the hardships being faced by the aggrieved students which was accepted by the apex Court in its interim order dated 17.4.2000.

(c) The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has no information with regard to the CBI raid on the premises of President, Medical Council of India.

(d) No, Sir. However, there were certain complaints against the Secretary and other officials of Medical Council of India which was got inquired into by CBI and the CBI concluded that the complaint was baseless.